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Dear

I am responding to your inquiry dated September 17, 2002, on behalf of the farm families in your Congressional District. You are concerned that a proposed Internal Revenue Service regulation would subject mobile machinery equipment to federal excise taxes.

The regulation you are referring to is a notice of proposed rulemaking on the definition of a highway vehicle for federal excise tax purposes. This proposed rule appeared in the Federal Register on June 6, 2002 (copy enclosed).

I appreciate your concern in this matter. We will consider your comments before we <u>finalize the prop</u>osed rule. If you have any questions, please contact me at

Sincerely,

Associate Chief Counsel (Passthroughs and Special Industries)

By:

Richard A. Kocak Chief, Branch 8

Enclosure